

Basic Detail Report



Club

Date

1890-1910

Primary Maker

Tlingit

Medium

Yew (possibly)

Description

Hunters disabled sea lions and otters with harpoons and then killed them with elaborately carved clubs such as this one. The carving on the clubs often depicted a sea lion. Sea lions are skilled maritime predators and their carved imagery on clubs was likely intended as a visual pun alluding to the superior skills of the hunter and the hunted.

Dimensions

Overall: 4 1/2 × 2 1/2 × 22 1/4 in. (11.4 × 6.4 × 56.5 cm)